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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos.

Part B for March 19

SUBJECT.

Management of the Jain Math at Hamcha Vajar Taluk

Orders passed on
L R 327-18-2
dy 22.2.19
file
S.A. 15.3.19

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Muzrai)

NOTES.

File No 93 13

FILE HEADING.

Alleged mismanagement of the Padmavatiamma temple and of the Jain matt at Huncha in the Nagar Taluk.

From

The Dy Comr Shimoga Dt

No 216/muz 64 Dated 8-1 1913 Received 10-1-13

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Reports on the allegations made by Subba Rao and others of Huncha village in the matter of the mismanagement of the Jain matt and of the Padmavatamma temple at the place.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

7 In 1909 a petition claiming to be from Subba Rao and others of Nagar was addressed to the Dewan and the following allegations were made therein

1) that the temple of Padmavatamma

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at Huncha,
~~which had~~ having an income of Rs 2000 or 3000 per year was being mismanaged by the Swami of the Jain matt at the place, who was stated to have been squandering away the money of the temple in Nautch ~~properties~~ parties, Dasavatarada Looti &c

2) that the Swami of the matt dresses his partisans in Military and Police uniform and ~~intimates~~ intimidates the poor people and that he uses certain insignia to which he is not entitled; and

3) that a Tirtha and a Ganapathi devarn temple near it, which are resorted to by all the people at the place, are claimed by the matt as its exclusive property.

10 This petition was forwarded to the Dy Comr, Shimoga Dt. for report in this office memo No. 743/M.7.156-09-2 Dy 9-9-1909 and the present letter of the Dy Comr reports on all the allegations in detail. It is seen therefrom that Nautch parties, Bhagavata plays and other amusements

× If no file or old note is traced, the ryot may complain that a petition made to get at it. After the petition is received in this office is ~~missing~~ missing the matter is proceeded with as if the petition were received for the first time. At the present instance the petition was forwarded to the Dy Comr Shimoga Dt. for report in this office memo No. 743/M.7.156-09-2 Dy 9-9-1909 and the present letter of the Dy Comr reports on all the allegations in detail. It is seen therefrom that Nautch parties, Bhagavata plays and other amusements are not common to all Jain Mutts. Another petition ref. No. 7.16.2-08 has however been traced and is linked with this file.

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are indulged in on the occasion of the car festival & Dasara festivities and it is reported that beyond these items no frivolous expenditure is being incurred. The expenditure on Nautch parties &c is not perhaps quite justifiable.

Vide M.7.142-08 (Linked)

The extent to which Govt can interfere in the management of this Temple has been the subject of correspondence for a long time. From the file linked herewith it is seen that the Dy Comr recommended in ~~oct~~ Septr. 1908 that the jain matt should be either divested of the management of the Temple or made to submit to the control of the muzrai Officers with regard to the management of the Temple. As the Temple is in receipt of a malnad cash grant of Rs 52-6-0 and also of a Sandalwood grant of 4 khandies & 5 maunds, the late A. Secretary (Mr. Subramanya Iyer) was of opinion that there can be no doubt that this is an institn about which Govt are entitled to ~~interfere~~ enquire and issue necessary directions and proposed that a detailed enquiry

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made into the case. The then 2nd Councillor (Mr Puttamachetty) however remarked as follows. "the temple apparently belongs to the matt and belongs to the Jain matt and is if I remember right situated within the matt premises. the matt has always exercised authority over the temple. How far the Govt mug Dept can authoritatively interfere in the management of the temple is a matter for careful Consideration ---- the mug. Supdt. might inspect this matt in the course of his tour and see what line of action should be taken..."
the matter has been reserved for personal inspection since then (Jany 1909)

12 As regards the 2nd allegation of the petitioners, the Dy Comr reports that the mahouts, Sowars & peons of the Basti have been supplied with liveries which are readily distinguishable from the uniforms of Govt. Servants in the Military & Police departments. No Complaints are stated to have been received by the Asst Comr about

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the use of unauthorised banners or insignia by the matt. So this allegation seems to be groundless.

13 With regard to the 3rd allegation about the attempts of the matt to obtain exclusive possession of a tirtha and of a Ganapathi temple near it, ~~for~~ detailed enquiry has been made. A representative of the matt is stated to have taken on Darkhast, ~~an extent~~ a large tract of land (measuring 32 acres & 4 guntas) which includes the tirtha & the temple, in it. The Dy Comr. recommends that this Darkhast (sanctioned by the Rev. Comr.) may be Cancelled, as the conservation of the tirtha and its surroundings free from private rights is very necessary He has issued orders to the Swami informing him that no further repairs should be executed by him to the Ganapathi temple and that unless evidence is adduced to prove his title to the ownership, the ~~one~~ repairs already executed by the Swami does not confer any title to him to the building.

14 A further report is promised

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is promised about the management of the Jain matt and the previous history of the Ganapathi temple.

Subd for orders

Asst (189) 25-8-13

15 Subd & 16 Mr. Councillor.

16 The Dt. Comr's report satisfactorily disposes of the allegations of mismanagement of the temple and Matha and no action appears to be called for in the matter. As regards the Ganapathi temple and the Mistra and the Dasikal of the town in which these are situated, the further report promised by the Dt. Comr. may be awaited and he may be requested to expedite the same. I shall also report the details when I go to Shimoga which I expect to do about the close of the year. The records relating to the alien- Sea 26.8.13
ation after extending six
years may in the meanwhile be called for from the Rev. Comr.

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19	Subd with a draft letter to the Rev Comr calling for records and a draft docket to the Dy Comr requesting him to expedite his further report. cyl (139) 30-8-13 20 Abbt Rs 1-9-13
2	To The Dy. Comr. Shimoga &c. No. 840 & 10.9.13 Requests him to expedite the report promised by him in R. No. 1.
3	To The Revenue Commissioner. No. 841 & 10.9.13 Requests him to forward the records connected with the alienation of 6 acres of land, sanctioned by him in his memo. 241 & 2.7.12
8&4	From the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore. Letter No. 4699 dated 23.9.13. Submits records relating to the alienation of 6 acres of land out of Jomal S. No. 183 of the Hunsha village in the Nagar Taluk. During the resurvey of the Nagar Taluk, Brahmanna bin Gangappa Parapathegar of the Hunsha Matt applied for 32a 4g of land out of the original Jomal S. No. 183, (now 226) not for purposes of cultivation

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but to include the Thirtha and the Ganapati temple in the Matt lands. He has not however, produced any document, as promised by him, to show that the Matt has any right to the Thirtha & the temple which the Brahmins allege belonging to them. The Dy Comr recommends the cancellation of this darkhast.

The 6 acres of land whose appropriation for cultivation was sanctioned by the Rev Comr in his No. 2141 dated 2/5.7.09 is reported to be included in the area applied for by Brahmanna during resurvey. It is seen from the papers that it was granted for the use of the temple of Sri Padmanabhamba, a mazrai institution in the management of the Matt. It is reported that this land lies between the Matt and the Jain Basti which is situated in the block of this land and unless the jungle round the Basti is kept always cleared of jungle growth, it would not be safe to go to the Basti for jonja purposes.

It seems enough if the darkhast of Brahmanna is cancelled, the appropriation sanctioned by the Rev Comr being allowed to stand, as the Co[illegible]

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of the Thirtha, the temple and its surroundings were secured from private rights can be secured. The people of the village have no objection to the grant of this land to the temple.

2) The Rev Branch has to be consulted in the matter.

3) A draft-letter requesting the Dy Comr to expedite the report promised by him is also submitted.

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5 To The Dy. Comr. Shimoga Dt.
No 1126 dy 16.10.13 Invites attention to this office docket No 840 / 93-13-2 & requests him to expedite the report.

6 From the Dy Commr, Shimoga Dt
letter no 609 dy 31.10.1916
Submits further report promised in sl.1 about the management of the Jain math at Humcha, and the previous history of the Janapada temples near the Ramathirtha at Bellavara, village of Humcha,

the Dy. Comrs report explains the facts of the case fully

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32) It is reported that Nityakattle, & Neelu-kattle services are being rendered in the 3 temples attached to the Jain Matt and in the Badi of Chandra-natha Swami.

33) As regards the complaint petition of certain Brahmans about the Ganapati Temple, it is reported that originally there was a Ganapati temple below the Aswatha tree near Kunadvati Nitha at Billeswara, endowed with certain inam lands which were resumed by Govt prior to 1867.

As regards the ownership of the Temple and the Nitha, the Dy. Commr reports after discussing the evidence on record, that the contention of the Jains that the Nitha and the temple belong to the Matt is not true. (vide para 3 of the letter under reply).

35) Para 4 of the Dy. Commrs letter summarizes the previous history of the Ganapati Temple and the Nitha.

36) On page 6 of the Office note, the Muzrai Secretary has stated that he would inspect the locality.

37) If directed, the matter may

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be reserved for personal inspection by the Secretary. (It seems that the Submitted petitioners have 1/8/17 not agitated their prayers since Aug 1/9.17)
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Seen) Secy 1/8/17

38) I shall inspect the place in my next tour. Hand the file over to Survey clerk
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39) The place was visited by the Inspr of Nizrai Sup. and Jt Secy to Govt on the 4th Oct 1918 and a detailed inspection of the locality was also made The Agent of the Jain math and the Brahman Petitioners were also present
Submitted.
4/12/18

40) Agastya parvata in the Nasik Taluk is a sacred hill on marking a hard. Where holy a dozen persons take their rise and in times past when the country was wild and more settled it would have formed a place of pilgrimage. Leaving out the situation of the site.

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Hindu just below the Jain (or White) in dispute and the village of Boraman hereby. There seems to be little doubt that this hall was included in a Brahman settlement adjoining the Jain settlement at Humcha. The separate designation of the hamlet as Billevara is significant; probably denoting the residing God of the chief temple Narayana. I also saw the Lanchana or emblem on the pedestal, variously claimed as Naga or pig. The figure is rudely done and not improved by a later attempt at alteration but it seems to be more like the former than the pig type. The tail of the figure which is long argues the conclusion. I agree with the DC in thinking that the deal originally belonged to the Jain party rather than to the Jain image which x

Admittedly the Dharmadevi

41) Made by the survey party for the grant of an extent of 3 acres 4 guntas out of Survey No. 183 lying to the [illegible] the pond [illegible]

x is confirmed by the situation of the temple at the edge of a tank

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the Ashtemple. This is a manoeuvre which should not be countenanced and the Dharkhast has been cancelled but the extent includes another extent of six acres already sanctioned by the Rev. Council, but divided and handed over to the mate. This plot adjoins the mate with a Basti temple on it. and the Swami has laid out a garden at some expense. This extent may be left in the possession of the mate.

(2) As the only matter on which the order of Govt is required is the cancellation of the Dharkhast the file may be returned for despatch to the Rev. Secy

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I agree with the H. Secy in the view expressed by him above. The file may, as proposed, be transferred to the Rev Secy for further treatment. Efforts have been in progress of late to arrange Consultation of Directors of such Branches as the Mahes

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7	No R 10830-1 LR-327-18-2 dy 22-2-19 Directs that with the exception of 6 acres of land the appropriation of which was sanctioned by the Rev. Comm. and which has already been subdivided & handed over to the Mutha, the rest of the land should be resumed to Govt and reserved

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DIARY No. 1109

19/219/13
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SERIAL No.

From

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To

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Subject

No.

No.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.
Dated Shimoga, 8th January 1913.

From

K. Srinivasa Row, Esquire,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

To

K.R. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esquire, M.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Muzrai Department.
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your memorandum No. 743-M.F. 156-09-2 dated 9-9-1909 forwarding for report a petition from Subba Rao and others of Humcha village in the Nagar Taluk complaining of the mismanagement of the Jain Matt and temple of Padmavatiamma at the place, I have the honour to state that the enquiry conducted by the Amildars of Nagar and Thirthahalli Taluks shows that the persons in whose names the petition purports to have been sent have denied the alleged signatures and that one and all of them have very little to complain personally about the management of the Matt and the temple attached to it.

2. The temple of Padmavatiamma is endowed with inam lands measuring in all 12 acres and 11 guntas assessed at Rs. 104-12-0, the quitrent payable to Government being Rs. 45-6-0. This institution is also provided with Sandalwood grant of 4 Khandies and 5 maunds. The Matt and the Basti of Chandranathaswami are not endowed with any inam.

3. From the enquiry made of Appanna Jois, the Patel of Humcha village, it is ascertained that on occasions of Car festival and Dasara festivities entertainments

entertainments such as nautch parties, Bhagavata plays and other amusements are indulged and that beyond these items, no frivolons expenditure is being incurred.

4. The records show that the Chouts of the Elephants and the Sowars of the horses kept for the use of the Basti and the peons thereof have been provided with liveries which are easily distinguishable from the Uniform of Government servants in the Military and Police Departments.

5. It is also reported that the Amildar has not received any complaints regarding the use of unauthorised title banners or other insignia by the Jain Swami at the place.

6. In regard to the act of Vandalism said to have been perpetrated in the temple of Ganapathi near the Kamatirtha at Billeswara ('majre' of Kumcha village), some Brahmins of the locality including the Archaka of the place petitioned the Amildar of Sagar Taluk in the year 1894 about the removal of the image of Ganapathi near the Thirtha and about the unauthorised construction of a temple building at the spot by the Jains (vide ferista Nos. 19/1 and 19/2, file II), but no enquiry was conducted in the matter by the then Amildar. In course of the resurvey operations of the Sagar Taluk, Ramappaniah, the Karpotteagar of the Jain Matt, applied on behalf of the Swami thereof, for an extent of 5 acres and 4 guntas out of Survey No. 19 which includes the aforesaid temple of Ganapathi and the Thirtha and the area has been recorded in the Pahani Sud in the applicant's name as Survey No. 20. This darkhasted area includes an extent of six acres the alienation of which was sanctioned by the Revenue Commissioner in his memorandum No. 241 dated 5-5-1911 for purposes of dry cultivation. The applicant has admitted in his statement of 15-7-1913 before the Amildar of Sagar Taluk that his object in applying for this piece of land during the resurvey of the Taluk was to obtain possession of the Thirtha, and not to

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cultivate the land. (ferist No. 17, file II)

7. The Thirtha a small waterfall emanating fro drain artistically dug out of stone imbedded in the midst beautiful pond with flights of stone steps situated at the foot of a hillock called Agastyaparvatha. During my inspectio on the spot in April last, it was ascertained that this Thirth is the source of the Kumudwati river and was of Puranic fame, ~~archæological~~. There is also a stone inscription near the Thirtha which may be worth the investigation of the archaelogical department. The irageless temple hard by contains a pitha on which a murti has been carved, clearly indicating that the image of Ganapathi stood on it originally. There is also a Nagar carved on a stone hard by this pitha. It is ascertaine that both Ganapathi and the Nagara are not worshipped by the Jain Community.

8. It was clear that the number had not been pleaded for purposes of encroachment. The Kumcha Patt is also reported to have of its own accord attempted to repair the Ganapathi temple near the Thirtha although some Hindu devotee in the locality undertook before the Amildar during his enqui to execute the work and consecrate a new idol of Ganapathi thereon.

9. In view of the case the conservation of the Thirtha and its surroundings free from private rights is urgently called for. I would therefore recommend that the demand for the entire area of 52 acres and 4 guntas inclusi of the area sanctioned by the Revenue Commissioner may be cancelled.

10. Orders have been issued to the Amildar to inform the sworn of the Jain Patt that pending final orders Government, no further repairs of the Ganapathi temple should be

be proceeded with, and that such repairs as may have been already effected to it by the Jain Watt cannot, in the absence of any evidence to prove its title to the ownership thereof, confer any title to the building.

11. I have requested the Assistant Commissioner of Sagar Sub-Division to make personal enquiries regarding the management of the Jain Watt at Humcha, and the previous history of the Ganapathi temple near the Thirtha and shall, on receipt of his reply, submit a further report on the subject.

12. The two files of vernacular records relating to the subject matter of the petition under report are herewith submitted together with the Pahani Sud and Draft resurvey map of Humcha village for favour of [redacted] early orders, as the darkhast in question has to be disposed of during the approaching revision Settlement of the Nagar Taluk.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

D. Srinivasachar

Treasury Assistant Commissioner,

for Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District.

(Absent from station)

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Calls for records re the

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From

Secy. to the Govt of His Highness
The Maharaja of Mysore,
Genl. and Rev. Dept

To

the Dy Comr
Shimoga Dt

Dated

Despatched 10th September 1913

Received

General No. 840.
Dept No. 93-13-2

Enclosure No.

Has the honour to request him to be so good as to expedite the submission of the further report promised in para 11 of his letter no. 216/muz64 of 8th Janry 1913, regarding the management of the Jain matt at Humcha in the Nagar Taluk and the previous history of the Ganapati temple near the Ramatirtha at Billeswara (a suburb of Humcha village)

By order

GPB—10,000—9-4-06.

for Secretary

Dft
Cypl (139)
30-8-13

20 2 Pt (Calls for records re the alienation of certain land at Hancha, Nagar Taluk)

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Serial No. 3

Diary No. of letter replied to 1102.

No. 841

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The Rev. Commissioner

in Mysore

Date of issue 10-9-1913

Signed by Mr. C. Venkata Rao

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith an extract of para 6 from letter no 216/Miz 64 dt 8th January 1913 from the Dy Comr, Shimoga Dt, and to request that you will be so good as to forward to this office

over.

SUBJECT.

ab an early date, the
records connected with
the alienation of the
6 acres of land, stated
to have been sanctioned
by you in your memorandum
No. 241 & 2-7-1912.

I have &c,

Lee
11/9/13

For Secretary

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9/8/13

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OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, 23rd September 1913.

No. 4699 File

DIARY No. 2431

FROM

K. Doraswami Iyer Esquire,

Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

To

DIARY No. 662

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General & Revenue Departments.

19/3/14
SECTION Muz
FILE No. 93-13
SERIAL No. 4

SIR,

As requested in your letter No.841/Muz.93-13-3 dated the 10th instant, I have the honor to forward herewith the records (ending with this office memo No.241 dated 2nd July 1909) relating to the alienation of 6 acres of land out of gomal S.No.183 of the Humcha village, Nagar Taluk and to state that the alienation of the land in question was sanctioned in 1909, not in 1912 as stated in the Deputy Commissioner's letter.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Commissioner,
For Revenue Commissioner,
absent from the Station.

V.M.R.

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K. Doraswami Iyer Esquire,

Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General & Revenue Departments.

Dated Bangalore, 23d September 1913

Despatched

Received

General No. 4699

Enclosure No. Nil

SUBJECT.

Forwarding the records relating to the alienation of 6 acres of land out of gomal S.No.183 of Humcha village Nagar Taluk.

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Jain Bhatt at Hunsecha, Nagar Taluk

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Serial No. 5

Diary No. of letter replied to 662

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To

The Deputy Commissioner

Shimoga District.

16 10 1913

Sir,

Signed by for G Kravamurthy Sd.

I am directed to invite attention to this office docket No. 840 dated 10th September 1913 TNF. 93-13-2. regarding the management of the Jain matt at Hunsecha in the Nagar Taluk and the Ganapathi temple near Ramathirtha at Billeswara, a mazre of Hunsecha and to request you to expedite the submission of the report.

over.

SUBJECT.

2 I am also to ~~request you~~ enquire ~~to state~~ whether the Gunaspathi temple had any ~~to~~ inam lands endowed to it as alleged in the petition of Brahmins dated 20.4.1894 and if so what has ~~since~~ become of those lands.

3. The Vernacular records received with your letter N-216 dated 8th January 1913 are returned herewith for reference and resubmission

I have &c

for Secy

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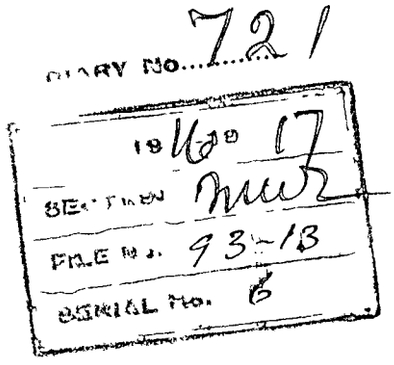

From

The Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Revenue Department, Bangalore.

Dated 31st October 1916.

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General No. H.C.No. 609 (Rev)

No.

Enclosure No. Encl:

Submits further report re the management of the Jain Matha at Humcha in the Nagar Taluk.

H.C.No 809 (Rev) — Office of the Deputy

Enclosure sent Separately Dated Shimoga 31st Oct

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From

A. Subramanya Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

To

L. Krishna Rao, Esquire,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No. 1126 Muzrai 98-13-5 dated the 1t October 1913 calling for the submission of the further report regards the management of the Jain Matha at Humcha in the Nagar Taluk and the previous history of the Ganapathi temple near the Ramathirtha at Bilk ra, a Hajre of Humcha, I have the honor to state that from the enquir conducted by the Nagar Taluk Amildar it is ascertained that Nityakatl Pechukatle and other services are being rendered in the three temples attached to the Matha, and in the Basti of Chandranatha Swami, the co thereof being met from the income of the lands belonging to the Matha and from the contribution paid by the votaries and that the Chandrasa of the Parvathamma temple is under construction.(vide ferist No. 133.

2. In regard to the allegation contained in the petition of Brahm dated the 20th April 1894, it is seen from the Amildar's report that a reference to the old "Chitta accounts" discloses that originally the was a Ganapathi temple at the spot in question endowed with certain I lands and that the same were prior to 1867 resumed to Government, of which the exact year is not known. (vide ferist Nos.128,129 and 133.)

3. As regards the ownership of the temple and the Tirtha, the rep sentatives of the Matha viz, Agent Viranna, Parpathegar Brahmappa, and Matt Shanbhog Subbannaiya are reported to have stated before the Talul Amildar at the time of personal enquiry held by him that the Tirtha a the disrepaired building belong to Jain Matha from a long time, that building what the Brahmins call Ganapathi temple situated south to the

the Tirtha is the Jain Basthi, that the Pita on which a Pig is carved is the seat of the Vimala Tirthankara devaru and that they would allow no other deity to be consecrated on this Pita which is dedicated for the use of their Goddess. On the other hand it is seen from this Office letter No. 216/Muz.64 dated the 8th January 1913 that Mr. K. Srinivasa Rao who personally inspected the spot, has reported that the imageless temple close to the Tirtha contains a Pita on which a mouse has been carved clearly indicating that the image of Ganapathi stood originally on it, and that there is also a Nagara carved on a stone hard by this Pita. Under these circumstances and in view of the fact that the deities of both Ganapathi and the Nagara are not worshipped by the Jain community, the contention of the Jains that the Tirtha and the temple belong to the Matha is not true. Besides, the book called Jain Dharmamritasara produced by them for reference do not throw any light on the subject to substantiate their contention.

4. Regarding the previous history of the Ganapathi temple and the Tirtha, it is ascertained from the enquiry made by Shanbhog Jaddigadde Subba Rao and H. Rama Rao that S.No. 183 is a Gomal land which includes the aforesaid temple of Ganapathi, and the hillock called Agastya Parvatha. The Tirtha called Simha Tirtha is a small water fall emanating from a drain dug out of stone in the middle of the beautiful pond situated at the foot of the hillock. Below this, there are the temples of Billesvara, Ramesvara and Laksmanesvara and Kalabhairava, consecrated by Sri Rama devaru. The car festival etc, of the deity of Billesvara was being celebrated in vore, which ceased owing to the diminution of Brahmin community at the place who were the chief promoters of the celebration. (Vide Serial No. 129.

5. The entire file of vernacular correspondence relating to the subject is herewith resubmitted for reference and obliging

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obliging return.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Senior Assistant Commissioner,

In charge of the District.

Shimoga.

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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Extract of letter No.316/Muz.64 dated 8th January 1913 from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District to the Secretary to Government Muzrai Department, reporting in the matter of the darkhast of the Swami of the Jain Humcha Mutt for certain lands out of Survey No.183(Gomal) in Billeswara, a majra of Humcha - Village, Nagar Taluk.

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Dated, Bangalore, the 22 February 1919.

In paragraph 6 of his letter referred to above the Deputy Commissioner of Shimoga, states that during the Re-survey operations of the Nagar Taluk, one Brahmiah, the Parrathiagar of the Jain Matha applied on behalf of the Swami of that Institution, for an area measuring 32 acres 4 guntas out of Survey No.183 (Gomal) solely with the object of obtaining possession of a Tirtha which is situated in it. About 6 acres of land out of the said - Gomal Survey No., the appropriation of which was sanctioned by the Revenue Commissioner in 1907 for purposes of dry cultivation are included in the aforesaid area of 32 acres and 4 guntas. The Deputy Commissioner recommends that the grant of the whole of - 32 acres and 4 guntas which has been recorded in the Pahani Sud in the applicant's name as Re-survey No.336, may be cancelled.

The Superintendent of Revenue Surveys and Settlements in Mysore who was consulted in the matter states that Re-survey No.336 measuring 32 acres and 4 guntas was formed out of old -- Survey No.183 at the Resurvey operations at the instance of the said Parpathegar Brahmiah, that the land was merely sub-divided and assessed but not given over and that even at the settlement which followed, the said land was not given over to anybody -

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but was entered in the accounts as accessed waste either because it was not applied for at the time, or if applied for, the Settlement Officer found reason to refer the applicant to the Revenue Department. Under the above circumstances Government are pleased to direct that with the exception of the 6 acres of land the appropriation of which was sanctioned by the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore and which has already been sub-divided and handed over to the Mutha, the rest of the land, should be resumed to Government and reserved.

BB Hebbalkar

for Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Chikmagalur District, with records.
The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

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